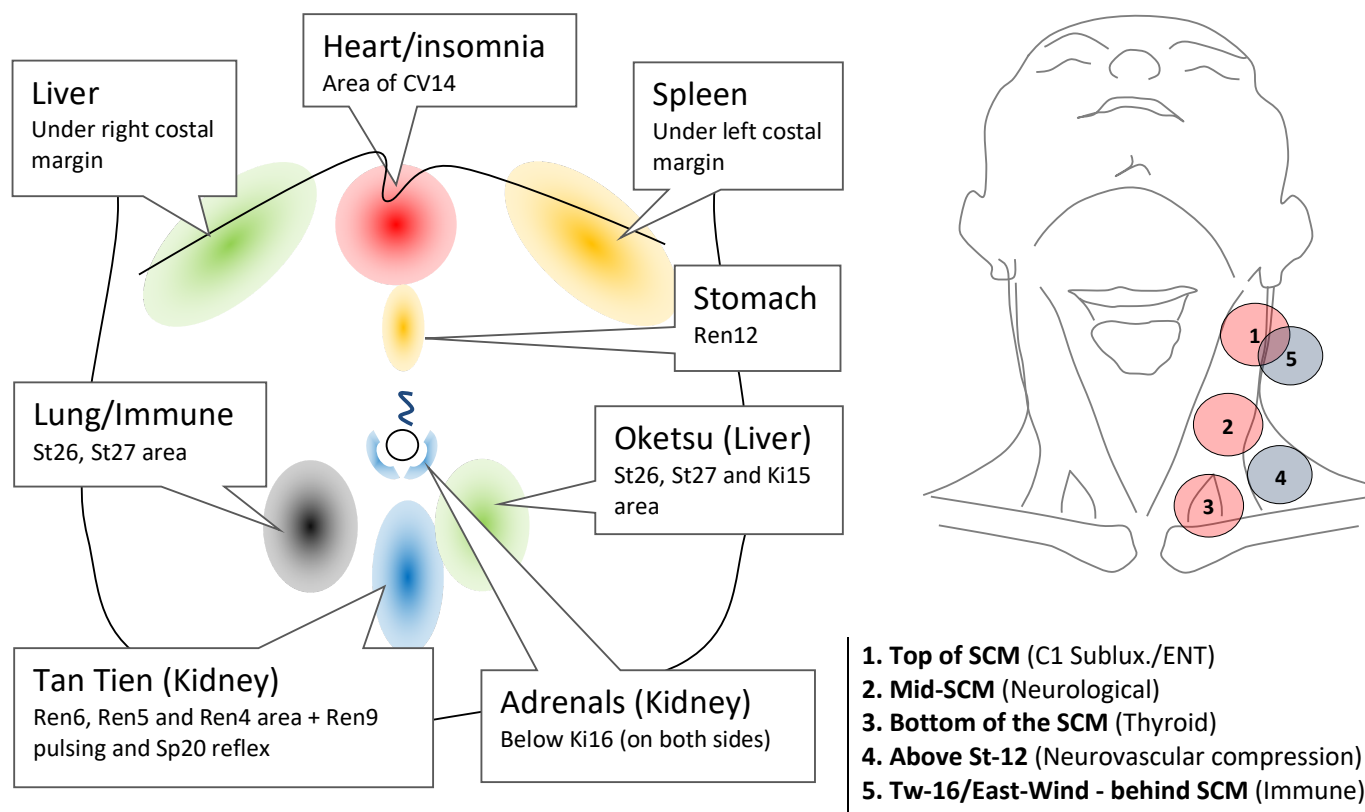
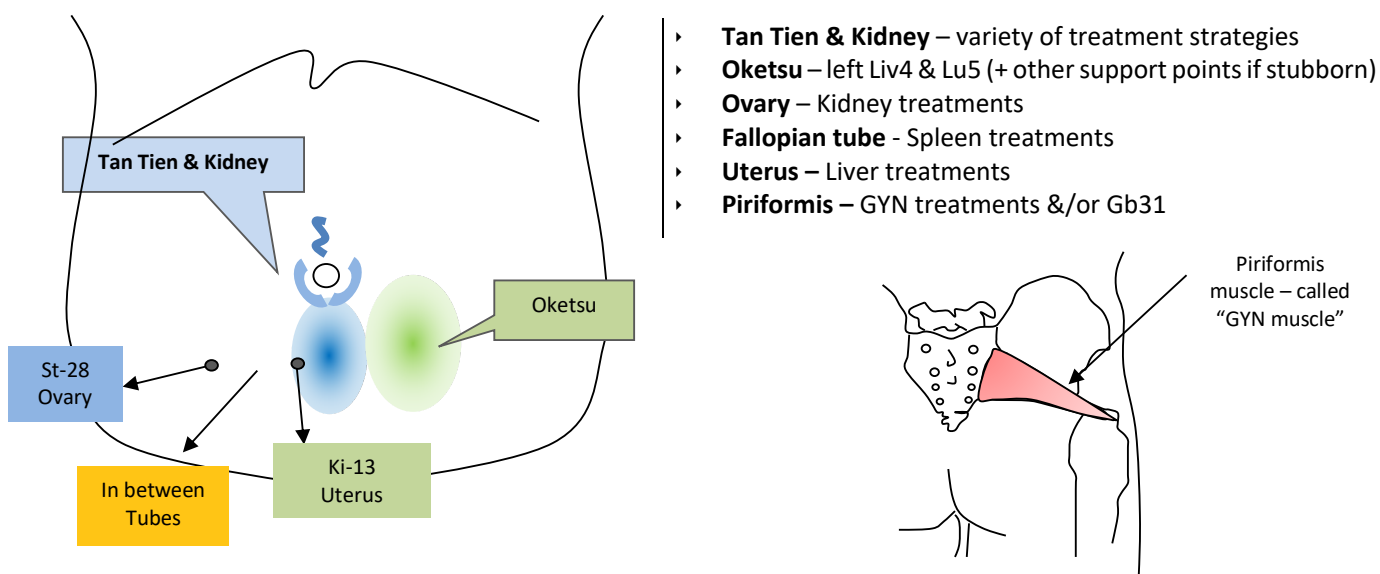


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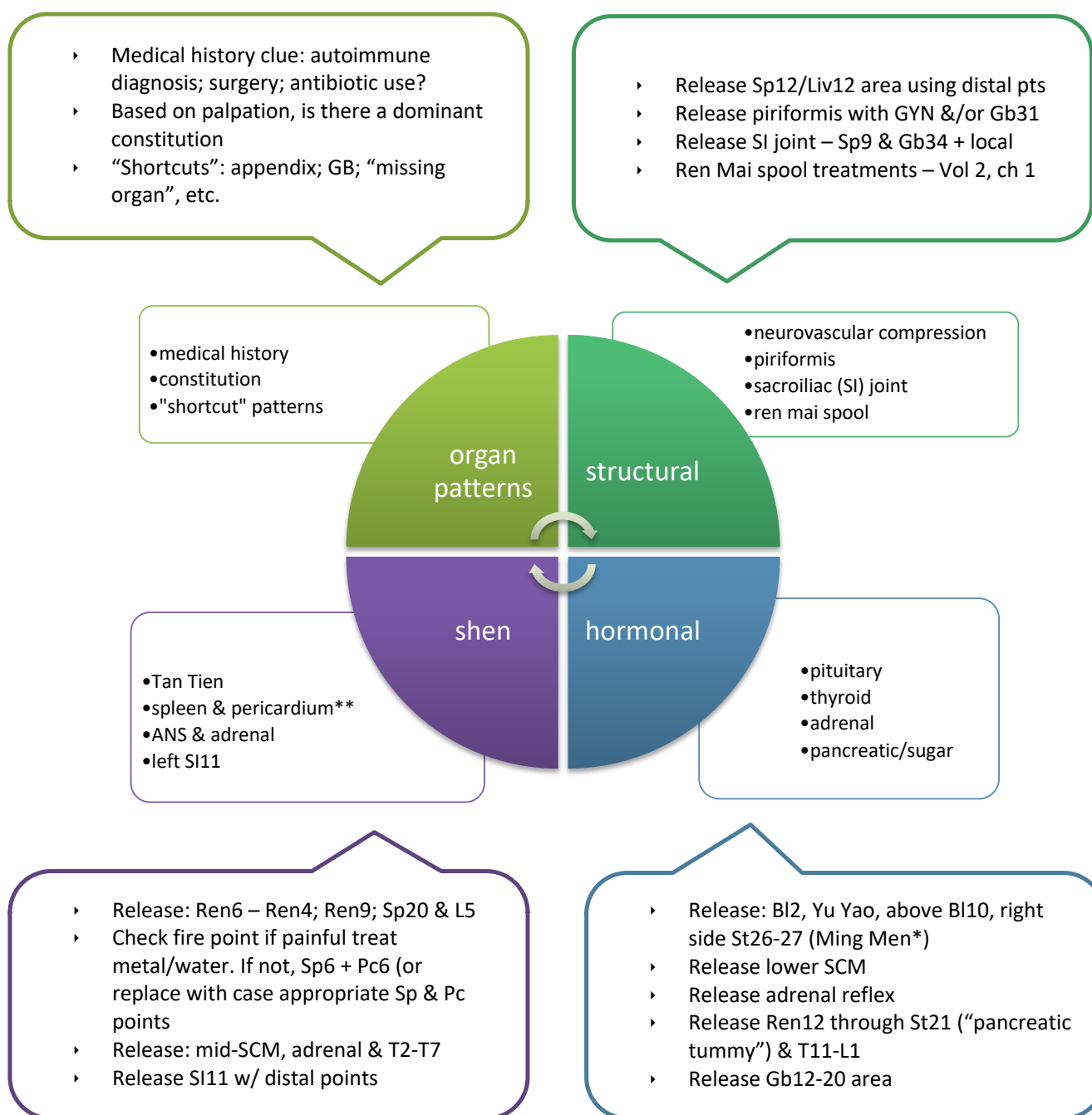
GYN & fertility related reflexes (check in all cases)



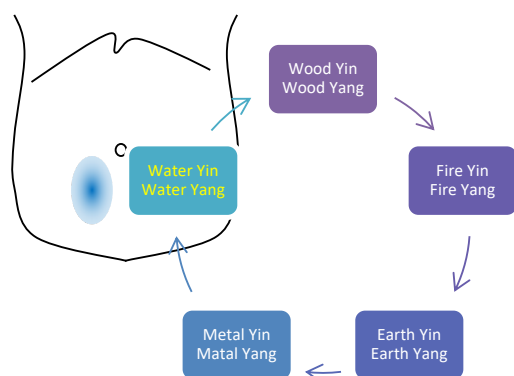
Let's simplify

It goes without saying, that the most important approach to any successful treatment is individualized evaluation and assessment of the patient. We cannot say that all cases of endometriosis should be treated with points X, Y & Z. We have to determine the patient's unique pattern and treat that instead.

We can however, be strategic in our thinking about the patterns. Here is one possible way to approach GYN & fertility cases:



***Ming Men reflex** overlaps with Lung/Immune. This area of the abdomen is unique in that a number of different reflexes are reflected in this area. You will know which reflex is present when there is pain at St-26 to St-27 area on the right by the treatment points that release it. If this area is related to kidney Ming Men, it will change with kidney points.



Ming Men represents the right kidney and it is the origin of the five-element cycle. Water-Yin represents the “blueprint” for the life of the organism.

In addition, this area can also be related to the **pituitary gland** and is important to release for patients trying to get pregnant. In this case, test a combination of kidney and/or pituitary points.

^(Note that in addition to the above suggestions the list of possible reflexes for this area is long and each one has different treatment strategies. Here is a partial list (refer to the book and Kiiko Matsumoto’s recorded classes for specific treatment strategies): tailbone injury, appendix, ileocecal valve, yeast overgrowth, “earth pattern”/9-star, and more.

****Yi, the spirit/emotion of the Spleen**

Guan Zi (Book of Master Guan), ca. 300-400 B.C. describes Yi in the following way: There is (one more) Heart inside of Heart. Yi is inside Heart, Yi Exists before word.

Yi

- Resides in the “small heart inside the heart”
- Emotions suppressed by a tone of voice
- Cannot be eliminated but should be as small as possible (right)
- If it gets bigger, it disturbs Shen (far right)
- When Yi “leaves” the heart it becomes Zhi

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Treatment ideas:

When treating Spleen remember that:

1. Spleen’s “Best Friend” is Pericardium
2. Check the Fire point – it takes priority
3. Master Nagano also considered Lung to be “good friends” with Spleen

Spleen & Pericardium point selection ideas (see Vol 1 & Vol 2 for additional strategies)

- Anemia
 - Sp-6 and Pc-6 on both sides and add o’kyu moxa
 - Leave magnets, press-tack needle or ask patient to apply Tiger Warmer at home
- Pitting edema & water retention
 - Sp-3 + Sp-7 + Sp-11 with Bl-63
- Oketsu in the head
 - Sp-6 + Sp-9 + Pc-6 (if fire point is free of pain)
- Multiple abdominal surgeries
 - Pc-4 (if fire point is free of pain)

Fertility, pregnancy & postpartum

Fertility related patterns will vary between patients – refer to above mentioned strategies to address individual patients' needs. Below, is a simplified way to think about the different stages of pregnancy and most common strategies that might be important to consider:

Stage of pregnancy	Post conception	First trimester	Later trimester	Labor	Post-partum
Focus on	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> prevention of miscarriage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> "morning sickness" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> neurovascular compression & viceroptosis back, hip or groin pain edema 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> easy labor hemorrhage after 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> depression swelling of the body spontaneous sweat
Treatment ideas***	Use "width of mouth triangle" points Use BL-32 + BL-33 Use BL-43 & BL-53	treat "pancreatic-tummy" reflex for morning sickness add Stomach Qi if loss of appetite	St-13 Ki Mu & Shu Distal points to release Sp-12/Liv-12 area Under scapular spine to release gluts QL - Lu-10 Groin pain – L1; check Ren Mai Hip pain – L3 & rhomboid Ki-9 & "chin point" – ASIS pain Edema - Sp-3, Sp-7 & Sp-11	Sp-3.2 to reduce muscle tightness SI-3 & Sp-6 to loosen the cervix Ub-60 if placenta is not coming out Sp-12 if tissue remains after placenta is out Sp-3.2 + Sp-6 + Sp-10 + Sp-12 to stop hemorrhage	Depression: Ba Fang, "Side of Tan Tien" points Ren-4 (unless c-section), L5, Sacroiliac joint and Ub-26/27 area Chin point Th-5 can be added for swelling SI-3 can be added for spontaneous sweat

***Refer to Vol 1 & Vol 2 books for complete list of strategies and treatments